

(SRI KADIDAL MANJAPPA.)

(b) There was no break-down, but there was some difficulty in supplying water.

(c) About 150 Acres in three villages.

(d) No.

(e) The representation, if any, in this behalf will be dealt with according to law.

Belagumba Tank (land acquired).

Q.—710. Sri Solur SIDDAPPA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the extent of lands acquired on account of Belagumba tank in Magadi Taluk (S. No. and names of the ryots whose lands are acquired may be furnished);

(b) whether compensation is paid to the ryots whose lands are submerged?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(a) Acquisition proceedings have not yet been completed.

(b) No.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Sir, as required by sub-section 3 of Section 133 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939, I lay on the table of the House a copy of notification dated 21st April 1955 issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939.

Sir, as promised on 28th March 1955, in reply to question No. 442, I lay on the table of the House details of the commercial vehicles plying in the corporation area of Bangalore.

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Business of the House.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—If you permit me, I would like to know the future programme of the House. That is one. The second is, you

remember, Sir, that one question was postponed.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—That is under my active consideration. Not only this but also the other.

Sri B. HUTCHE GOWDA (Turuvekere).—I have sent a special resolution, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It will be decided. I had a talk with the Hon'ble Member in person. It will be decided according to the programme. If we allot a day for non-official business, only then resolution be will taken up on that day. Otherwise, it may not be taken up. Has the Leader of the House anything to say about the future programme?

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA (Leader of the House).—Today and tomorrow, two days are available for discussing the Facts Finding Committee Report. If Hon'ble Members want more time, they have necessarily to sit overtime, just as we did in the case of K.G.F. Mining Committee Report. I think we will be able to finish within one or two days more if we sit overtime.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—If we have a definite indication as to when the session will be closed, it would be better. Shall we take it as the 26th?

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will distribute the programme tomorrow. It is understood that it will be extended by one or two days.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—Another submission of mine is, Sir, you remember that it was represented to the Minister for Revenue that hardship was being caused to the ryots of Chitalrug District on account of the anomaly of the interpretation of Mysore Sales Tax provisions regarding Purchase Tax. The Hon'ble Minister was pleased to circulate an amendment Bill. It is a matter of urgent importance. I request the Minister to take up the Bill and pass it.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is on the agenda. If the House agrees all the three stages will be gone through today and the Bill passed.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Molakalmuru).—The Speaker will have to suspend the rules of procedure.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Whatever has to be done in the interests of the State, I

will do. Shall we take up and complete the Bill within half an hour as it is very urgent?

MEMBERS — Yes.

MYSORE SALES TAX (THIRD AMENDMENT) BILL, 1955.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—(Minister for Revenue).—Sir, I beg to introduce the Mysore Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1955.

Sir, under rule 165 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Mysore Legislative Assembly, I beg to move that Rule 59 may be suspended and that I may be permitted to move that the Mysore Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1955, be taken into consideration.

Mr. SPEAKER — Allowed.

Motion to consider.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I beg to move :

“That the Mysore Sales Tax (Third Amendment) Bill, 1955, be taken into consideration.”

Sir, it is a very simple measure. Hon'ble Members are aware that a few days ago, an adjournment motion had been tabled by Sri. Mulka Govinda Reddy. I had made an assurance that the matter will be examined. It was a question of amending the Act. Without amending the Act, we could not remove the difficulties to which the agriculturists were put. Therefore, this amendment is proposed in the Bill. By this proposal, purchase tax will be levied under section 5. Therefore, if this becomes law, the ryot will not be compelled to pay the purchase tax due in respect of that transaction. Under section 11 only registered dealers who are dealing in articles mentioned in the schedule are entitled to collect the tax that they pay to Government. If they are entitled to collect tax from somebody else, it should be either from the person from whom they purchase or from the person to whom they sell. In this case, according to the provisions

now in force, the dealer who was a purchaser has been given the right to collect the tax from the person from whom he purchased. Therefore the rules had to be framed to enable him to collect tax from the ryots. If this tax is levied under section 5, he will not be given the right to collect tax from any person. He will have to pay out of his profits in case of multi-point tax on slab basis.

There is another item in the Bill which relates to the levy of tax on paper. In the schedule, item No. 16 relates to the levy of tax on paper. At present the tax is one in.....

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Molakalmuru).—No, Sir, it is not on paper. It is on newsprint.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Hon'ble Member has not understood. Item 16 in the first schedule relates to levy of tax on paper. Paper includes newsprint also. This point was argued by Sri P. R. Ramaiya and a few other members. That argument was supported by several members of this august House. Therefore we thought it fit to reduce the tax on newsprint to give them relief.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldrug).—They wanted complete exemption.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—That is not possible. With due deference to the request of the Hon'ble Members, we thought of reducing it to six pies instead of one anna.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—The rate of levy in Madras, our neighbouring State, is three pies and here also it has to be reduced to three pies, on the same analogy as you raised the rate in the case of beedis.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—It is three pies at multi-point.

Sri R. MUNISWAMIAH (Bangalore North—Scheduled Castes).—In schedule No. 1, item No. 4—tiles, slabs and marbles—it is stated that tax on tiles are also included.

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—There is no provision in the amending Bill to amend any other provision except those mentioned in the Bill.

Sri K. PRABHAKAR (Nelamangala).—Item No. 4—I would like to know on